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Coronavirus FAQs - Distilleries

Q. May a distillery engage in the production of ethanol-based hand sanitizer?

A. Yes, a licensed distillery may produce ethanol-based hand sanitizer without other licenses or permits from the TABC. However, licensees must continue to maintain all records of production and depletion of such inventory and comply with applicable TTB and FDA guidance and Regulations.

Q. From whom may a distillery obtain alcoholic beverages for making hand sanitizer?

A. A distillery can obtain alcoholic beverages for blending, including for making hand sanitizer, from other licensed manufacturers, licensed wholesalers, or licensed non-resident sellers or non-manufacturing non-resident sellers. Alcohol that has been denatured or otherwise made unfit for human consumption is not considered an alcoholic beverage and is not subject to TABC jurisdiction.

Q. May a distillery continue to conduct tours and tastings?

A. Licensed distilleries are not prohibited by the TABC from conducting tours and tastings. However, please refer to guidance from the Governor's Office and your local government regarding limitations on public gatherings and social distancing recommendations.

Q. May a distillery deliver alcoholic beverages to consumers at their residence or business?

A. No, a manufacturing license does not allow a distillery to deliver alcoholic beverages to consumers off the licensed premises.

Q. May a distillery ship alcoholic beverages directly to consumers using a common carrier or USPS?

A. No, the shipment of liquor is prohibited.

Q. May a distillery deliver hand-sanitizer or other non-alcoholic products to consumers at their residence or business?

A. Yes, as long as it complies with any other applicable state health and federal regulations.

Q. May a distillery ship hand-sanitizer or other non-alcoholic products directly to consumers using a common carrier or USPS?

A. Yes, as long as it complies with any other applicable state health and federal regulations.

Q. May a distillery sell bottles for customers to take with them?

A. Yes, a distillery may sell its products for on-premise or off-premise consumption.

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